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CLAIM AMENDMENTS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An anti-rattle door assembly for a vehicle, comprising:

a first member including a first base plate and a roller non-rotatably disposed on said first base plate, said roller having a section of high lubricity at an outer circumference thereof;

a second member having a second base plate and a roller receiving part for receiving said roller of said first member, said roller receiving part having a guide recess formed therein;

an adjusting system including ratchets each disposed at a respective one of said roller and said second base plate, for self-adjusting said roller into a correct position relative to said guide recess, upon closing the door and engaging said roller in said guide recess;

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a fastener for fixing said roller in said correct position;
and

a bumper element associated with said second member, said bumper element being mounted in said guide recess and being configured to at least partly enclose ~~the~~ said roller when said first member and said second member are engaged.

Claim 2 (canceled).

Claim 3 (previously presented): The anti-rattle door assembly according to claim 1, wherein said section of high lubricity includes a ring mounted around the outer circumference of said roller.

Claim 4 (previously presented): The anti-rattle door assembly according to claim 1, wherein said section of high lubricity is made of acetal.

Claim 5 (previously presented): The anti-rattle door assembly according to claim 1, wherein said second member includes a second base plate and said roller receiving part is displaceable relative to said second base plate.

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Claim 6 (previously presented): The anti-rattle door assembly according to claim 5, wherein said roller receiving part includes at least one groove for partial engagement of said second base plate.

Claim 7 (canceled).

Claim 8 (canceled).

Claim 9 (currently amended): The anti-rattle door assembly according to claim 7 1, wherein one of said roller and said first base plate includes a dovetail halving and the other one of said roller and said first base plate includes a complementary dovetail halving.

Claim 10 (previously presented): The anti-rattle door assembly according to claim 1, wherein said second member has a depression formed therein in, said roller rests in said depression when a door of a vehicle is in a closed state.

Claim 11 (currently amended): A vehicle door having an anti-rattle assembly, the anti-rattle assembly comprising:

a first member disposed on one of the vehicle door and a part of the vehicle defining the door, said first member including

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a first base plate and a roller non-rotatably disposed on said first base plate, said roller having a section of high lubricity at an outer circumference thereof;

a second member disposed on the other of the vehicle door and the part of the vehicle defining the door, said second member having a second base plate and a roller receiving part for receiving said roller of said first member, said roller receiving part having a guide recess formed therein;

an adjusting system including ratchets each disposed at a respective one of said roller and said second base plate, for self-adjusting said roller into a correct position relative to said guide recess, upon closing the door and engaging said roller in said guide recess;

a fastener for fixing said roller in said correct position;
and

a bumper element associated with said second member, said bumper element being mounted in said guide recess and being configured to at least partly enclose said roller when the vehicle door is in a closed state.

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Claim 12 (previously presented): The vehicle door according to claim 11, wherein said first member of the anti-rattle assembly is disposed on the vehicle door.

Claim 13 (previously presented): The vehicle door according to claim 11, wherein said first member of the anti-rattle assembly is disposed on the part of the vehicle defining the door.

Claim 14 (previously presented): The vehicle door according to claim 11, wherein said second member of the anti-rattle assembly is disposed on the vehicle door.

Claim 15 (previously presented): The vehicle door according to claim 11, wherein said second member of the anti-rattle assembly is disposed on the part of the vehicle defining the door.

Claim 16 (currently amended): The vehicle door according to claim 11, wherein ~~said second member includes a second base plate and~~ said roller receiving part is attached to said second base plate.

Claim 17 (previously presented): The vehicle door according to claim 16, wherein a position of said roller disposed on

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said first base plate is displaceable with respect to said first base plate in one direction, and wherein a position of said roller receiving part is displaceable with respect to said second base plate in another direction.

Claim 18 (previously presented): The vehicle door according to claim 17, wherein the one direction and the other direction are perpendicular to each other.